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City clerk offers absentee ballot assistance

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Romulus City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg made it very clear at the last regular meeting of the members of the council, the law allows one ballot for each voter.

Craig-Bragg explained to the council members that her office had received several calls from area residents who were somewhat confused about the number of forms they had received to request an absentee ballot for the upcoming primary election Aug. 4.

"Some residents have received two or three of the requests and are understandably confused and frustrated," Craig-Bragg explained.

"There is one ballot per voter. If anyone has already tuned in a request for an absentee ballot, another one is not needed," she said. Craig-Bragg explained that the Secretary of State sent out requests to registered voters so they could apply for absentee ballots in light of the pandemic and that several candidates had also sent out the requests which have confused some voters.

"One ballot per voter," Craig-Bragg reiterated. "If you sent your request in, we will respond. If you have questions, call our office and we will be happy to help you," she said.

Craig-Bragg also reminded voters than they must only vote for one party and that there are two sides to the ballot. "If you make an error or spoil the ballot, call us, we can help you," she said. "There is a process in place for spoiled ballots and our office is available," she said.

In response to a question from Council member Celeste Roscoe, Craig-Bragg clarified that the Aug. 4 election is a primary. Roscoe wanted to know if this was the ballot on which the candidates for the expiring judicial term at the 34th District Court would appear. Craig-Bragg assured Roscoe that this was the election in which the candidates for election to the judicial position would be selected and that the names of the top two vote getters would then appear on the Nov. 3 General Election ballot.

Vying for the position at the 34th District Court are incumbent David M. Parrott, Alexandria Taylor, Robert P. Coutts, John R. Day and Lisa Martin. The 34th District Court handles the cases from Belleville, Van Buren, Romulus and Sumpter Township along with out-county arraignments from Wayne County.

Parrott, the incumbent, is completing his 18th year at the court. The 60-year-old Van Buren Township resident was elected in 2002, 2008 and 2014. He earned his Juris Doctorate in 1985 from Wayne State University Law School and his undergraduate degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Coutts is a 21-year resident of the area and currently resides in Van Buren Township. He has a five-star rating with avvo.com

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Warm welcome

Village project greets visitors to Northville

Helping dedicate the new Village at Northville last week were, from left, Scott Schwanke from MI Homes, developer of the project, Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix, II, Township Treasurer Fred Shadko, Township Clerk Marjorie Banner, Township Trustee Symantha Heath and Howard Fingeroot, of Northville Five. Photo by Dave Willett

Artists Russell and Nancy Thayer created the two red sculptures denoting joy and flight installed at the Village at Northville development officially dedicated last week. Photos by Dave Willett

The $175 million southern gateway into Northville Township was officially dedicated last week.

Township Supervisor Robert Nix and members of the board of trustees, representatives of the developer and project manager along with the artists who created the park sculptures were on hand to celebrate the project which incorporates the history of the area into the futuristic design.

Nix noted that the new Village at Northville is "one of the jewels" of the long-awaited, 53-acre, mixed-use development that is constructed on the site of the former Scott Correctional Facility at the northwest corner of Five Mile and Beck roads.

"This transformational project forever changes the complexion and image of a key southern gateway to the community," said Nix.

The master-planned, integrated village will include an upscale 283 unit "loft" apartment building with an internal parking deck, 64 townhomes, 108 single-family homes, neighborhood retailers, a Hilton Home2 hotel, a specialty grocery store, premier restaurant and area for future commercial construction.

The centerpiece of the entire development is a carefully crafted 1-acre park, which will serve not only the residents of the Village and Northville, but will be available six times a year as a Northville Township venue for music, picnics, a farmer's market and other activities in cooperation with the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Officials said they hope to host that first community event before year end.

Local area artists, Russell and Nancy Thayer, were commissioned to create two sculptural park elements. These sculptures, together with a series of permanent commemorative plaques designed by the Northville Township Historic District Commission (HDC), delineate a history of this site and several other historically significant Northville Township sites.

Township Clerk and Historic District Commission member Marjorie Banner said, "I am very appreciative of the fact that some Northville Township history could be incorporated as part of this beautiful new park."

The park was required as part of the project to provide the township with "downtown" type events for residents, Nix said, and was added to this development at no cost to the township.

Nix thanked the developers and those from the township who had worked so diligently on the project, preserving the history of the site in the design of the total development. Nix said the project was a "joint effort" of the developers and the township.

"We have no downtown," Nix said, "but now we have a gathering place for concerts, a farmer's market. This park represents a milestone."

He thanked both Banner and Historic Commission member and Township Treasurer Fred Shadko who also worked with the developers and the artists to preserve the historic value at the site.

Shadko said that the project has been in development since 2015-2016 and that the township and the developer wanted to create "something

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Canton - Plymouth

Canton Farmers' Market open on Sundays

The Canton Farmers Market is now open for the regular season at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road, with COVID-19 safety guidelines in place, organizers said.

The market will provide a safe and stress-free environment, where shoppers can take advantage of fresh food and local merchandise this market season," they added.

The market will take place rain or shine from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. each Sunday through Oct. 25, and will feature a variety of local produce. Expected items for the first market include: beets, berries, broccoli, apples, cabbage, carrots, cucumber, eggplant and other produce.

All vendors and farmers market staff will be required to wear face masks and market-goers are also strongly encouraged to don protective face-coverings. In addition, the market shopping area will be fenced off with only one entrance and exit, located off of Ridge Road. Hand sanitizer will be available at these locations. Market-goers are asked to follow the directional signage, as well as social distancing protocols. As current executive order gathering size limitations remain in place, market-goers may be asked to cue and wait before accessing the market grounds depending on crowd sizes. No cooking demonstrations, kids' craft, or live music will be available. In addition, no food sampling will be allowed, organizers said.

"The Canton Farmers Market staff and vendors are excited to open the regular market season offering fresh local goods at our weekly Sunday markets, but with new safety protocols in place to create a safe and positive shopping experience," said Canton Farmers Market Supervisor Jennifer Franz. "There are so many benefits to buying locally, so we are happy to once again be able to provide this access to local produce and merchandise."

Local vendors returning this season will include: Pick MI offering produce, eggs, and tortillas; The Cheese People of Grand Rapids offering cheese; Kapnick Orchard, offering apples, berries, and breads; and Lula Bre's Sweet Eats offering jams.

Bridge Cards are also accepted at the Canton Farmers Market. Participants may bring their Bridge Card to the Bartlett-Travis House to exchange SNAP dollars for market tokens, and double the spending on fresh fruits and vegetables with Double Up Food Bucks. The market also accepts WIC Project Fresh and Senior Project Fresh.

For more information about the Canton Farmers Market visit www.cantonfun.org, or contact cantonfarmersmarket@canton-mi.org.

Plymouth primary ballot includes familiar names

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Voters in Plymouth Township will choose the names to appear on the Nov. 3 ballot during the primary election set for Aug. 4 from a field including only one Democrat.

Incumbent Township Supervisor Kurt Heise will serve another four-year term as he is unopposed for the office on the primary ballot.

Also unopposed on the ballot is incumbent Treasurer Mark Clinton, who like Heise, has served in his respective office for four years.

Township Clerk Jerry Vorva, however, who has also served one term, will be challenged by another Republican candidate, long-time resident and former Deputy Clerk Sandy Groth who abruptly resigned her position last year.

Whichever of them is successful Aug. 4 will face Democrat Nancy Conzelman, who was defeated by Vorva in her campaign for reelection as clerk in 2016. Her tenure was filled with controversy and after her exit an unusual number of records and files were reportedly missing. Officials from the federal Drug Forfeiture Funding program at the time informed the police chief that the office had to expel Plymouth Township from that program due to the failure of both the clerk's and then treasurer's office to provide sufficient records and financial documents. After her loss to Vorva in the August 2016 primary election, Conzelman campaigned as a write-in candidate in November and was reported to have received only about 130 votes.

Conzelman's name will appear on the primary ballot as she is unopposed as a Democrat. Conzelman had also filed a petition to seek a term as a trustee but withdrew that petition by the filing deadline.

Seven candidates have filed nominating petitions for the five available trustee terms. Incumbents Gary Heitman and Jack Dempsey have opted not to seek reelection.

Incumbents on the ballot will be Chuck Curmi and Bob Doroshewitz, both long-time members of the board. Also seeking trustee posts are Audrey Monaghan, and former state representative and one-term township trustee John Stewart, who ran unsuccessfully as an independent for the 7th Senate District in 2010.

Others seeking trustee seats are Don Schnettler, Dan Callahan and Becky Krupa, all Republicans.

Krupa was associated with the political action group "Say No to PARC" and then "Say No To All Taxes," registered with the state election commission as Defeat PARC Millage. The group was allegedly formed to block a township public safety millage and defeat the PARC ballot proposal. The ballot proposal, defeated in November 2018, to fund the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex was one of the most contentious issues facing voters in both the city and township, including accusations of vandalism by each side.

Saxton's site project OK'd

Members of the Plymouth City Commission have approved a plan for the construction of a 10-unit group of single-family condominiums and the redevelopment of the building that formerly housed Saxton's.

The project, at 587 Ann Arbor Trail, has been rezoned and a Planned Unit Development agreement approved by city commissioners. The condominiums will be located along Maple Street, according to the approved plans, and most of the adjacent parking lot will continue to offer public parking as it is owned by the city The project has been in development for several years. Approval of the agreement requires that renovations at the Jewell Blaich building take place prior to the sale of the condominiums. Those renovations are also required to conform to the standards of the Historic District Commission in the city.

City officials said they were pleased with the project and were looking forward to the completion of the development.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 30, 2020 for the following:

AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
Request for Bids

Northville Township Property Purchase
Parcel #: 77-030-99-0007-001

Sealed Bids will be received by the Clerk's Department, Second Floor, Northville Township Hall, on or before 3:00PM Monday, August 17, 2020.

The Township hereby solicits bids for Northville Township Property Purchase. Information on the property is available on the Northville Township website at www.twp.northville.mi.us/projects along with all bid documents and can also be obtained from the Clerk's Department, Monday through Friday from 8am-4:30pm at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan.

Additional information may be obtained from the Public Services Director, Bob Belair at bbelair@twp.northville.mi.us. Questions regarding the property shall be brought to the attention of Bob Belair via email to bbelair@twp.northville.mi.us. Questions will not be accepted after 12:00 pm on Friday, July 24, 2020.

Marjorie Banner, Township Clerk

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SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
2020 JULY BOARD OF REVIEW

The Sumpter Township Board of Review will be conducting the 2020 July Board of Review and will convene in the Sumpter Township Hall at 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, Ml 48111.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

July 21, 2020 between 3:30 pm and 4:00 pm

This is a correction Board of Review and will cover all clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact during the meeting. Also per Executive Order 2020-87, protest of valuation and classification for 2020 ONLY will be allowed.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (734) 461-6201.

Esther Hurst
Township Clerk

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CITY OF ROMULUS
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
WEDNESDAY, August 5, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing beginning at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2020** at the Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road to consider the following petitions:

1. BZA-2020-005; **Deborah Brunell**, requesting a variance from *Section 3.04(c), Pools and Hot Tubs* to allow a swimming pool in the front yard and to *Section 3.04(a)(5), Accessory Buildings and Structures* to allow a shed in the front yard at 36883 Chase The property is zoned R-1B, Single-family Residential District and swimming pools and accessory buildings and structures are not permitted in the front yard.

2. TEMP-2020-002; **Deranged Haunted Attraction** requesting temporary use approval for an outdoor haunted attraction with a walking trail and temporary structure from 9/18/20 through 11/2/20. The subject property is located at 35560 Goddard.

3. BZA-2020-008; **Skyworks**, requesting a use variance to allow rental sales and service for construction equipment at 6656 Beverly. The property is zoned M-1, Light Industrial and construction equipment rental and sales are not permitted in this district.

4. BZA-2020-007; **Steven Geisler**, requesting a variance from Section 3.07, *Area, Height*, and *Placement Requirements* to allow a new 1,408-sq. ft. residence at 38287 Tyler. The minimum floor area in the R-1A, Rural Character Overlay District is 1,500 sq. ft.

5. BZA-2020-009; **Project Viper**, requesting variances from *Section 13.05, Lighting, (b), Light Levels*, and (e), *Fixture Height* to allow light levels and pole height to exceed requirements and to *Section 8.04, Area, Height and Placement Requirements, Building Height*, to exceed building height for a new distribution building at 15675 Wahrman.

Copies of the applications are available for review at the Department of Public Services during regular business hours which are 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said requests. Written comments may be submitted and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Planning Department, 12600 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID
ITB 20/21-03 - ZERO TURN COMMERCIAL LAWNMOWERS

The City of Romulus is seeking bids from vendors for the acquisition of three (budget permitting), ExMark Lazer Z X Series Zero Turn Rider gas riding lawn mower, Model # LZX921GKA726C1 or department approved equivalent.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (http://www.mitn.info/). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.
(2) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the bid documents.
(3) A total of three copies (one marked "Original" and two marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package/envelope and returned to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, **8/04/2020**. Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the ITB documents or submitted electronically on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct.
(4) The public opening of all timely received bids will be provided virtually via "Zoom" at approximately 3:00 p.m., local time **8/04/2020**. Log in information for the "Zoom" meeting can be obtained by emailing Purchasing@romulusgov.com or utilizing the information provided in the bid documents.
(5) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required endorsements.
(6) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.
(7) For additional information contact Gary Harris, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing Purchasing@romulusgov.com.
(8) The City of Romulus strictly prohibits the reproduction or publishing of any published document or solicitation without the express written consent of the City of Romulus. Unauthorized posting of any notice of these documents or reference to said documents or solicitations is strictly prohibited.

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ROMULUS

Council returns to city hall for meetings

It was a homecoming, of sorts, for the members of the Romulus City Council this week when they attended a meeting in the council chambers at Romulus City Hall.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, council members have been attending virtual Zoom meetings for several months but planned to be back in chambers this week.

Mayor LeRoy Burcroff explained that the city administration had determined the safety of moving back to the chambers for meetings and that the city would be abiding by all the current safety protocols.

He responded to an inquiry from Council member Virginia Williams during the July 7 Zoom meeting who asked when the council could return to meetings in city hall.

"These meetings are not productive," she said of the virtual meetings. "There is too much interruption."

She suggested that an upcoming study session would not be as effective over the phone as the council members could not actually interact with the petitioners coming before them with a request.

Her opinion was seconded by Councilman William Wadsworth who said, "I have the same feelings. These meetings are not as productive. Are we not going back into chambers until the governor says we can?"

Burcroff said that the administration had been planning to return to chambers for meetings and plans were in place for that to take place last Monday, with all necessary safety precautions in place.

> *Like so many, I am frustrated with the technology. I am looking forward to it. There are others who want to do business with us who are holding off because they are frustrated as well.*

"Will people be required to wear masks," Wadsworth asked. "I am in favor of masks but will our policy be if no mask then they can't come in or we ask them to leave?"

Burcroff said that masks would be available for those who did not have them and that the city would adhere to the 6-foot social distance requirement and the number of people allowed in the council chambers.

"If they refuse to wear a mask, will they have to leave the building," Wadsworth again asked.

Burcroff reiterated that all safety precautions would be enforced. He noted, too, that if an individual or a council member was uncomfortable with the return to chambers for meeting, they could continue to attend by phone.

City attorney Steve Hitchcock agreed that as long as the city had a quorum in chambers others could still attend and vote remotely.

"Like so many, I am frustrated with the technology," Burcroff said. "I am looking forward to it. There are others who want to do business with us who are holding off because they are frustrated as well."

The next meeting of the council in chambers, a study session, is set for 7 p.m. July 27.

Romulus interim police chief explains policies

The recent social unrest and marches across the country and throughout the area, Interim Romulus Police Chief Robert Pfannes recently sent a letter to the mayor and members of the city council addressing the philosophy and performance expectations of police officers in the city.

In his letter, Pfannes said he wanted to reach out to the members of the council "during this tumultuous time in our history to let you know my stance on the killing of George Floyd."

His letter went on, "Like all of you, I was appalled and deeply upset by what I saw in that video. The officer's callous indifference to the humanity of Mr. Floyd was painful not only to me as a police executive, but as a person.

"The actions of those officers is universally condemned in law enforcement circles. After learning the facts of the incident, I sent out a communication to the police department reiterating to them our expectations with regard to the use of force and their legal, ethical and moral obligation to stop a fellow officer if they are crossing that line.

"I want you to know that RPD's (Romulus Police Department) use of force policy prohibits the kind of restraint used on Mr. Floyd. Our city demands far better from our officers."

> *We intend to maintain that trust and respect through our actions every day and hold officers accountable who violate that trust.*

Pfannes was named in March as the interim police chief during the medical leave of Police Chief Jadie Settles who has been recovering from an illness for nearly a year. Pfannes, who retired as the chief of the Ann Arbor Police Department, has more than 32 years in law enforcement.

In his letter to the city council members, he also addressed the concerns of the community response to the police department in light of the current situation.

"The City of Romulus Police Department has worked for the trust and respect that must be earned every day and can be shattered in an instant. We here in Romulus have been fortunate to have a community that supports its police department and a police department that cares about its residents.

"We intend to maintain that trust and respect through our actions every day and hold officers accountable who violate that trust. "Last week, I instituted a Professional Standards position to ensure that we are living up to the public's expectations," Pfannes told the council members.

"We are also in the process of attaining official accreditation by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police to ensure that our policies and training adhere to the best practices of the profession."

Investigation into airport hotel stabbing death continues

Romulus police are continuing to investigate a fatal stabbing which occurred July 6 at a local hotel.

According to police reports, Romulus police received a 911 call at about 4:12 a.m. July 6 reporting that a man had been stabbed at the Howard Johnson Hotel located in the 31000 block of Flynn Drive.

When responding officers arrived on the scene, they found the body of a 39-year-old Wyandotte man in a second floor room. Officers reported that the man had apparently succumbed to a stab wound.

Police received a call at 4:39 a.m. the same day from a man who reported his version of the altercation that allegedly resulted in the death of the Wyandotte man.

That suspect, a 29-year-old man from Dearborn Heights, was taken into custody by Romulus police near the scene of the incident, police said.

Detectives are still searching for the knife used in the altercation, according to police reports of the incident.

No motive was immediately known, police said, and the evidence will be presented to the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor for a determination regarding criminal charges.

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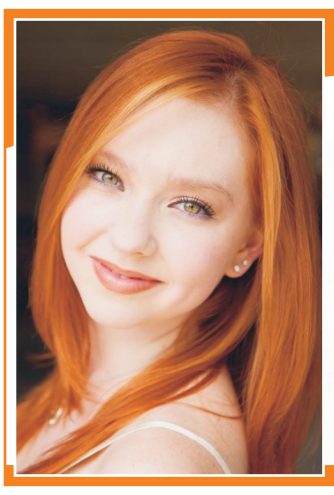
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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Northville

Inside/Out brings reproductions to Northville

Four reproductions from the Detroit Institute of Arts have been installed in Northville as part of the Inside/Out program. All four of the masterpieces are located with walking distance of the Northville Art House in downtown Northville and will remain on display through October.

The works on exhibit include the Self Portrait of Vincent van Gogh from 1887. "For want of a better model," Van Gogh often chose to paint his own portrait. While in Paris between 1886 and 1888, Van Gogh lightened his palette under the influence of the brilliant colors of the impressionists, but he soon reserved the use of such light colors to express particular moods. Van Gogh's stay in Paris was a relatively happy one, and in this painting, created during the summer of 1887, he portrays himself with an almost lighthearted appearance.

Also on display is a portrait of Sir William Brereton, completed in 1579. Although the artist has not been determined, the viewer is able to learn about the sitter through his elaborate dress and sword, coat of arms, and Latin inscription, which translates as "Picture of William Brereton, a soldier, who founded this house in his 28th year." Sir William Brereton (1550-1631) was knighted in 1588 and served in the British Parliament between 1597 and 1622.

A work by Jan van Eyck titled Saint Jerome in His Study from 1435 is also among the reproductions on display in Northville.

Delicate and intricate in its execution and rich in its symbolism, this small panel painting attributed to the workshop of Jan van Eyck depicts Saint Jerome, the fourth-century translator of the Bible, reading in his study. According to legend, Jerome extracted a thorn from a lion's paw.

The books and other objects seen in the work relate to the saint's intellectual pursuits and take on symbolic meanings. The hourglass is traditionally equated with the passage of time and human mortality. The glass bottle is undisturbed by the light passing through it just as the virginity of Mary was undisturbed by the Holy Spirit when she conceived Jesus. The jar labeled tyriaca (an antidote for snakebite) surmounted by a pomegranate (a symbol of the resurrection) refers to Christ as the savior of the world. Based on the inscription on the folded letter on the table, it has been suggested that the figure of Saint Jerome is a disguised portrait of Cardinal Niccolò Albergati.

Leisure House by John Everett Millais from 1864 is also on display. The subjects, Anne and Marion Pender were the daughters of Sir John Pender, a wealthy textile merchant from Glasgow, England. The girls' identical red velvet gowns and plush surroundings convey their affluence and proper Victorian society upbringing, yet one may feel that they have been placed on display much like the two fish in the bowl before them.

In 1948, while a young student at the Royal Academy in London, John Everett Millais co-founded the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood emphasizing a style of painting characterized by Romantic and Medieval themes with moral undertones, bright colors, and close-knit, detailed compositions over the classicizing style taught at the academy. However, by the mid-1850s, Millais was moving away from the Pre-Raphaelite style to develop a new form of realism in his art. Leisure Hours was painted a year after he was elected to be a full member of the Royal Academy.

Leisure Hours by John Everett Millais

Unknown Artist, English Sir William Brereton 1579, 1579 oil on cradled wood panel

On-line live betting from Northville Downs is now available

While the pandemic is keeping people quarantined, they will now be able to watch and wager on live horse racing at Northville Downs without leaving home.

Events at Northville Downs will now be available through TVG, an affiliate of the FanDuel Group, and the largest Advance Deposit Wagering platform in the US and America's horse racing network.

TVG launched the service last week after being conditionally approved in June by the Michigan Gaming Control Board. Northville Downs has been closed for on-site simulcast wagering due to Covid 19 restrictions. TVG features both Thoroughbred and Standardbred racing from major racing venues in the US as well as top international racing from Europe, Japan, Australia and Hong Kong.

"We're excited to launch in Michigan in partnership with Northville Downs and to provide an opportunity for fans to enjoy racing from around the world from the comfort of their homes," said Kip Levin, TVG CEO.

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Advance Deposit Wagering (ADW) is a legal, regulated form of wagering on horse racing in which the bettor makes a deposit to fund an account and places wagers from that account on-line via mobile phone or other device. It is authorized specifically in 33 states in the US and bettors must be at least 18 years old to open an account in most states.

Horse racing fans and bettors can watch TVG on cable - DirectTV, Dish, Xfinity and Spectrum as well as on satellite and via its app, Watch TVG as well as on OTT platforms including Apple TV, Amazon Fire and Roku as well as streaming on TVG.com.

New account signups can take advantage of a $200 Risk Free offer on their first win bet with TVG; Sign up with TVG using the promo code RISKFREE, place a win wager on their first bet and if it loses TVG will refund the wager amount up to $200.

In December 2019, the Michigan Horse Racing Law of 1995 was amended to allow a race meeting licensee to use contracted third-party firms to facilitate wagering on live and simulcast pari-mutuel racing. In May, the Gaming Control Board issued regulations for operators in the state.

Village

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to be proud of."

The two bright red sculptures installed in the park represent another aspect of township history when airplanes were built in the community during the 1920s and flown from the manufacturing site to nearby airports.

Sculptor Nancy Thayer said her during her research the red color continued to appear in historic documents, prompting her to choose to incorporate it into the design.

"I think it denotes happiness and a simulation of flight and joy," she said. Her husband and collaborator agreed and noted that they spent many hours of research before the final design and metalwork on the installations.

"I made a lot of models of airplanes when I was younger and this incorporates some of that look," Russell Thayer said.

Nix reminded the crowd that the entire development is walkable and goes into the township park area.

"This was all done at no cost to the township," Nix said. "We think it is a wonderful asset for the community."

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1. Obituaries

Brian Thomas Walden

Brian Thomas Walden,
51, of Wayne,
died June 29, 2020.

Mr. Walden was born in Hannibal MO. on Nov. 12, 1968, the son of Linda Diane Minch and John Leroy Minch, Jr.

He was preceded in death by both his mother and a brother, John S. Minch.

In addition to his father, Mr. Walden is survived by his former wife Tina Marie Darnell; siblings, Dawn Breazeal, Michele Walden, Robert Minch, Donald (Robin) Minch, Edward Minch and many dearly loved nieces and nephews. A memorial will take place at a later time.

Cremation rites were accorded by Generations Funeral Service.

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Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Romulus has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 on **Monday, July 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** for the purpose of taking testimony on the proposed vacation of the following streets:

That portion of Cordell south of Hildebrandt and Lorman from Lorraine east to Cordell.

Written comments may be submitted to the attention of City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg, CMC, City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485, no later than 12:00 o'clock noon, Monday, July 27, 2020.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Marijuana sales ordinance is modified by council

The first reading of the ordinance governing the sale of recreational marijuana in the City of Wayne did not go as smoothly as it might have.

Councilman Jeremiah Webster noted during the meeting earlier this month that the new ordinance restricted the hours of Sunday sales of the recreational drug to noon until 5 p.m. on Sundays, which did not coincide with the hours allowed at other nearby license holders.

He suggested a change in the language allowing the sales in Wayne to be from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m., which are the hours allowed in other cities.

Director of Development Lori Gouin explained that before the second reading of the changes to the current ordinance governing marijuana in the city, changes could be made by the council members. She explained that the current changes include a ban on any micro businesses or pop-up places selling marijuana and that no more than the current provisioners or outlets would be permitted.

"There will be no new locations for recreational licenses," she told the council, explaining that while that was the case, a grower could ask for a permit to operate at an already existing, licensed seller. She explained that recreational sellers are considered retailers in the ordinance and that medical sellers are considered facilities.

> *We are only allowing he current businesses to continue, and we will follow this closely.*

"We are only allowing he current businesses to continue," she said, "and we will follow this closely."

While no date for the second reading of the changes to the ordinance was announced, council members were assured that city attorney Steve Hitchcock would be available to answer questions regarding any changes council members wanted to include in the ordinance.

City Manager Lisa Nocerini inquired as to the necessity of reading the changes twice as is required for an ordinance.

"Do we have to have the changes read twice," she asked and was advised that the revisions could be included at the second reading as minor modifications to the ordinance.

The council opted to vote on the changes of Sunday hours to 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. for the recreational sale of marijuana in the city with Councilman Phillip Wagner and Council woman Kelly Shiff casting the two no votes on the change.

Murder-suicide, mall shooting investigations continue

Westland police are continuing to investigate two shootings, including an apparent murder-suicide, that both took place in the city July 5.

Officers were dispatched to Westland Mall July 5 after receiving reports of shots having been fired.

Witnesses told the responding officers that two or three Black men began arguing inside a perfume store in the mall.

One of the men pulled a handgun and fired two shots at one of the others, witnesses said.

All the individuals involved fled the mall on foot, they said.

Police said that there appeared to be no injuries in the incident which remains under investigation.

Westland officers said they were assisted by numerous neighboring agencies in efforts to search and secure the scene.

The same morning, officers responded to the area of 37456 Willow Lane in the Willow Creek Apartment complex after receiving an OnStar panic button notification.

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Upon arrival, officers discovered Deandree Watson, 30, of Detroit inside his vehicle, the apparent victim of a homicide.

During the investigation, officers entered a nearby apartment where they discovered the body of Deontez Jones of Westland, who was deceased from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Watson, a University of Michigan graduate, was reportedly going to law school this fall. He had worked for Detroit City Councilman James Tate as a policy analyst.

These incidents appear to be connected as the men were known associates, police said.

Westland investigators are continuing the ongoing investigation.

Council OK's $7,000 repair to DPW tree trimming truck

Tree trimming will continue in the City of Wayne following the repair of the truck necessary for the work.

Department of Public Works Director Ed Queen told members of the Wayne City Council that the 23-year-old truck needed a $7,000 repair recently but was now back in service, after leaving an employee "up in the air" when the transmission on the lift device failed.

"This is a 1997 High Ranger tree trimmer truck," he told members of the city council at a recent meeting. "It went out leaving an employee about 10-feet in the air. We had to use another truck with a lift to get him back down. The stabilizers were down because the transmission failed," he said.

He said the truck is inspected annually and that "down the road" the city would have to consider the purchase of a new vehicle, which could cost as much as $180,000.

"That's not a current request," Queen said. "We're still safe at this point, but it will have to be considered."

Council member Kelly Skiff asked if the request for the repair payment was for "something that was already done" and if the repair had been completed without any other bids for the service. Queen explained that this was an emergency repair and that the vendor used was one already approved by the city which performed repairs on several large trucks in the city.

"It was an emergency repair and we use what we know works for us. This company does the fire trucks," he responded. "We don't have time to wait for the long process of bidding."

He noted, too, that some tree work in the city is outsourced to contractors but that as this time, they are all as busy as his department workers.

City Manager Lisa Nocerini explained that the administration has the ability to use the emergency process for repairs of this nature as they have done in the past.

Council approved the $7,000 payment from the general fund by a unanimous vote.

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Belleville - Inkster

City hall now open

Inkster City Hall began reopening to the public last week.

The opening of the building, closed for several weeks due to the coronavirus pandemic, will be gradual, officials said, in an effort to ensure the safety of employees and the public.

Some departments will be open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday to allow for additional cleaning at the end of each day as part of an ongoing effort to keep staff and visitors safe.

A few restrictions will be in place as the city hall reopens. The city has requested all visitors to observe proper social distancing at all times.

Only nine visitors will be allowed in city hall at a time, and those inside must stand on their mark 6-feet apart from the next person in line.

For more information, call Inkster City Hall at (313)563-4232. City hall is located at 26215 Trowbridge St. in Inkster.

Single car crash kills Inkster man

Michigan State Police troopers are continuing the investigation into a vehicle crash June 19 which killed a 21-year-old Inkster man.

Dhundre Gillum was killed in the crash which took place at about 7:45 p.m. on Carlysle Street west of Burton Street just blocks from Gillum's home. According to police reports, troopers driving in the area observed a vehicle coming from the opposite direction traveling at a high rate of speed in the neighborhood. The troopers turned their vehicle around and attempted to catch up to the vehicle, but found the car crashed into a tree near Box Street. The driver, Gillum, was the sole occupant of the vehicle and was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to Gillum's family, he was grieving the loss of a stillborn daughter and was loved by those who knew him.

Family members and friends have started a memorial at the tree where the fatal crash took place, only two blocks from Gillum's home.

Michigan State Police released dashcam video of the incident and said it remains unknown if alcohol or drugs were a factor in the incident which remains under investigation by the Michigan State Police hird District Investigative Response Team.

Making it official

The newest officers and directors of the Rotary Club of Belleville were officially installed July 7 at Quirk Park Pavilion in Van Buren Township. Rotary District Governor 2020-2021 Dr. Noel Jackson, also known as "Captain Rotary," at left, administered the oath of office to President Debra Green, Vice president Jerry Richardson, Treasurer Brain Pearcy, Second Vice president Rachel Kozlowski and directors Pattie Monroe, Keith Bruder and Dennis Davidson.

Ballot

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and has practiced law for 30 years after earing his Juris Doctor degree at the University of Toledo College of Law and his bachelors degree at Eastern Michigan University. He formerly served on the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education. This is his second bid for election to the court.

Day, 65, is a long-time resident of New Boston with a law practice in Belleville. He earned his law degree, cum laude, at the University of Detroit School of Law following his bachelor of arts degree with high honors at Michigan State University.

Day has served as the Belleville city attorney, the Belleville prosecutor and the Belleville Area District Library attorney.

Martin, 48, has been a resident of Van Buren Township for 13 years. She earned her bachelor's degree from Harvard University and her law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. She was appointed as an attorney magistrate at the 34th district Court in May of 2018 where she served until February of this year. This is her second bid for election to the judicial bench at the court.

Taylor, 39, is a resident of Romulus, and has been a resident of the court jurisdiction her entire live. She is the manager of Taylor Law Firm and adjunct professor at University of Detroit Mercy Law School.

She earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Michigan State University, and a master of business administration from Eastern Michigan University.

She currently serves as the chair of the Romulus Charter Commission.

The two successful candidates will face off on the Nov. 3 ballot for the six-year term at the court.

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